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FLOOR SCHEDULE FOR THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2012

HOUSE MEETS AT:	FIRST VOTE PREDICTED:	LAST VOTE PREDICTED:
12:00 p.m.: Morning Hour 2:00 p.m.: Legislative Business	3:00 – 4:00 p.m.	4:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Fifteen "One Minutes" per side		

Continue Consideration of H.R. 5856 – Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2013 (Rep. Young (FL) – Appropriations) H.R. 5856 appropriates \$519.2 billion for regular programs at the Department of Defense, which is \$1.1 billion more than total current funding and \$3.1 billion more than the President's request. The measure provides \$88.5 billion in FY 2013 Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO) funds, specifically to support operations in Afghanistan, Iraq and the general war on terrorism. The OCO total matches the President's request.

The bill includes a total of \$238.7 billion for operations and maintenance accounts, \$110.4 billion for procurement, \$70.1 billion for research and development, and \$142.2 billion for military personnel accounts. The procurement total includes \$17.5 billion for naval aircraft, \$11.3 billion for Air Force aircraft and \$15.3 billion for Navy shipbuilding. The measure also includes a military pay raise of 1.7%, which is equal to the President's request and what was carried in the FY13 National Defense Authorization Act, and continues provisions prohibiting the transfer of Guantanamo detainees to the U.S.

Republicans are developing this year's spending bills based on the \$1.028 trillion discretionary spending cap included in the Republican (Ryan) Budget Resolution rather than the \$1.047 trillion cap agreed upon in last year's Budget Control Act. As a result, this bill leaves even less room for other agencies and programs in appropriations bills to be considered down the road, as Republicans try and 'frontload' some of the appropriations bills while still fitting under their cap.

As of last night, The House had completed reading through all titles in the bill, and had begun consideration of amendments at the end of the bill. The House will continue debating amendments at the end of the bill today.

Bill Text for H.R. 5856:

HTML Version PDF Version

Background for H.R. 5856:

House Report (HTML Version)
House Report (PDF Version)

TOMORROW'S OUTLOOK

The GOP Leadership has announced the following schedule for Friday, July 20: The House will meet at 9:00 a.m. for legislative business. The House is expected to complete consideration of H.R. 5856 - Department of Defense Appropriations Act, 2013 (Rep. Young (FL) – Appropriations).

The Daily Quote

"I think everything has to be on the table now," Pratt & Whitney President David Hess said during the House Armed Services Committee hearing on the industry impact of the defense cuts, which are set to begin in January. Hess, who also heads the Aerospace Industries Association, indicated tax increases and spending cuts to other parts of the government should be on the table in order to avoid the serious damage cuts to the Pentagon would have on the U.S. defense industry."

- The Hill, 7/18/12